

Amendments to the Specification:

On page 1, please replace the first paragraph with the following text:

--This application claims priority under 35 U.S.C. §119(e) to commonly-owned, co-pending U.S. Provisional Patent Application Serial No. 60/233,596 entitled, "METHOD AND APPARATUS FOR LINEAR CHARACTERIZATION OF MULTI-TERMINAL SINGLE-ENDED OR BALANCED DEVICES", filed September 18, 2000, which is hereby incorporated by reference in its entirety.--